

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 2386

United States-Taiwan Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense Cooperation Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on International Relations on September 30, 1997

The bill would require the Department of Defense to conduct a study of the architecture requirements for establishing and operating a theater defense system capable of protecting Taiwan from ballistic missile attack.

Based on information from the Department of Defense, CBO estimates that the architecture study would cost less than \$500,000, assuming the appropriation of the necessary funds. Because the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The estimate was prepared by Joseph C. Whitehill. The estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.